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FOR A NEW CHARTER.

Alderman Milton J. Foreman Again Calls the Charter Convention Together for Further Action.

Objectionable Features Are to Be Eliminated and Better Ones Put In.

Personal Liberty Given a Larger Show than It Had in the Other One.

The Growth of the City, It Is Contended, Demands a New Municipal Act,

And Under the New One, It Is Believed, the City Will Benefit Much.

Alderman Milton J. Foreman has again unfurled the banner of municipal reform and as chairman of the Charter Convention, called that body together again on Thursday afternoon.

The alderman believes that the objectionable features in the old charter can all be eliminated and a document agreeable to all classes of the people framed and adopted.

The men who formed the original convention and who are included in the present call are: Milton J. Foreman, R. McCormick, Joseph Badenoch, John P. McGorty, William H. Baker, M. L. McKinley, Walter E. Beebe, Chas. E. Merriam, Albert W. Bellfuss, W. H. Michaelis, Frank I. Bennett, Theodore Oelme, Z. P. Brosseau, Jos. A. O'Connell, Wm. M. Brown, John E. Owens, Richard E. Burke, G. W. Paulin, Thomas Carey, R. E. Pendarvis, Chester W. Church, Louis F. Post, H. F. Clettenberg, John Powers, George E. Cole, Edward J. Rainey, Daniel F. Crilly, Walter J. Raymer, William E. Dever, Alex. H. Revell, George W. Dixon, Lewis Rinker, Thomas J. Dixon, Emil W. Ritter, B. A. Eckhart, Raymond Robins, John W. Eckhart, Lessing Rosenthal, Henry F. Eldmann, C. O. Bethness, F. E. Erickson, D. E. Shuman, Walter L. Fisher, John G. Shedd, F. H. Gansberger, Frank L. Shepard, Andrew J. Graham, John P. Smulski, I. T. Greenacre, Bernard W. Snow, John Guerin, Bernard E. Sunny, Joseph F. Haas, George B. Swift, C. H. Harrison, Graham Taylor, John W. Hill, Geo. J. Thompson, Frank G. Hoyme, Chas. J. Vopicka, Thos. M. Hunter, Edwin K. Walker, W. Clyde Jones, Charles Werno, Jas. M. Kittelman, R. A. White, Bryan Lathrop, D. R. Wilkins, James J. Linehan, John P. Wilson, Carl Lundberg, Edward C. Young, T. C. MacMillan, Michael Zimmer, Chas. E. Merriam.

According to Alderman Foreman there have been hundreds of letters urging that the charter committee proceed at once with framing a new measure. The personnel of the convention is the same as that which framed the charter sent to the general assembly and there materially changed and later rejected by the voters of Chicago. The members of the convention spent several months on the draft submitted to the Legislature, and it is probable that it will again be presented to the convention for reconsideration. That draft passed unanimously and with possible minor changes would be adopted by the same men again.

While it is asserted in some quarters that the Legislature enunciated the draft of the convention, it is admitted by many that the gerrymandering of the wards and the question of local self-government which the Legislature inflicted were the features which caused the defeat of the charter at the polls. It was pointed out that the convention can decide upon a scheme of ward divisions which will be satisfactory to all concerned, and that the need of primary legislation does not now exist, since a general primary law has been adopted. A scheme of personal liberty, it is believed, can be placed in the new draft, which will be acceptable to the

advocates of local self-government. With those features out of the way many of the members of the convention said the remainder will be smooth sailing and a proposed charter can be gotten ready with ease before the Legislature reconvenes in January.

"The new charter will have to come," said Chairman Foreman. "The question is whether we desire to determine whether we will frame it or leave it to the downstate legislators to give us what they think we need. I think that the work done by the charter convention in the year and a half it labored is too valuable to be lost. The one decided upon by the convention would have given us an excellent form of municipal government. When it came from the Legislature it had some defects, but its merits, in my opinion, far outweighed them, and its defeat was due in large measure to misapprehension of its provisions. We can now eliminate the objectionable features and present the main scheme to the Legislature again."

The members of the convention were selected by former Mayor Dunne, Governor Deneen, the lieutenant governor, speaker of the house and the heads of the local tax-expenditure bodies.

The ex-justices of the peace on the Democratic judicial ticket are a long ways from new fees.

Alderman Milton J. Foreman is showing himself to be a good public servant. He is certainly doing wonders for the public in traction matters and is always wide awake to the interests of the city and the people.

The boulevard on stilts ought to hide the Goodrich dock.

Candidates for City Treasurer and City Clerk are already commencing to appear.

The Chicago Railways Company should sprinkle the streets between its tracks.

When you see it in The Eagle, be sure that it will be copied.

President Roach is the whole thing just now. Cable slots in the downtown district are to disappear shortly, so far as the lines of the Chicago Railways Company are concerned. President John M. Roach of the company declared that the work of rehabilitation would be started at once, regardless of the subway plans which are under consideration.

No plans for the rehabilitation of the lines of the City Railway Company in the downtown district have been made, other than the laying of the new loop in Garland court. Work on that will be commenced within two weeks, but the rest of the company's tracks in the loop district will remain as they are until next year. It is said the company wants to know whether the construction of the subway will require the removal of tracks before it begins the expenditures of money for which it might get no returns.

President Roach of the Chicago Rail-

ways Company said that nothing but the probable shortage of granite blocks would prevent the completion of the rehabilitation of the company's downtown lines before winter sets in.

"We expect to begin work at once," said Mr. Roach, "and will be able to give the city the best traction service of any large city in the country before the cold weather sets in."

Roy O. West took charge of Republican State headquarters at the Grand Pacific on Tuesday.

The people want no fee grabbing justices on the Municipal Court bench.

John G. Neumeister is being much talked of by his friends for City Treasurer.

The Independence League elected six members of the legislature in Vermont on Tuesday. There is no doubt about its being a big factor in the fight this fall.

The Wayman-Healy contest will show the public a few things about the primary law.

That Brauer Crane contract in Lincoln Park smells a great deal like that Goodrich dock contract. Both were let without bids.

Fifty street sprinklers are to be added to the city supply as a result of the wheel tax, and soon thirty-five street flushers will also be installed in the department of streets. Superintendent of Streets Doherty advertised for the street sprinklers, to cost not more than \$2,800 each.

It is understood that a company contemplating the erection of a two million dollar warehouse will go after the lease of the Goodrich dock next year.

The Dr. Fernand Henrotin public bath at Ashland and Fullerton avenues was dedicated on Tuesday night.

The Democratic County Central Committee elected the following officers Tuesday night:

Chairman—William L. O'Connell. Secretary—John McGillion. Treasurer—Frederick W. Block. Sergeant-at-arms—Richard P. Conside.

Vice Chairman—Frank S. Ryan, A. J. Subath, Peter Reinberg, John S. Derpe, Michael Zimmer. Members Executive Committee, South Side—George Brennan, John J. Coughlin, Joseph A. Swift, John H. Mack, James A. Dalley, Edward F. Brennan; West Side, John J. Brennan, Thomas

Gallagher, John J. McLaughlin, Stanley H. Kunz, John J. Hayes, Roger C. Sullivan, Frank C. Burke, Dennis J. Egan; North Side, Thomas Webb, John F. O'Malley, Harry R. Gibbons.

The committee appointed a sub-committee to hear and report recommendations on contests in the various wards. On this committee were Michael Conlon, George Brennan, J. J. McLaughlin, Stanley Kunz and John F. O'Malley. Ross C. Hall is acting secretary.

Contests were heard from seven wards. In the Second, Twelfth and Seventeenth wards the contestants and contestees were given five days more time to prepare their cases. The contest in the Fourth Ward was between Alderman Richard and former Alderman James A. Dalley. Dalley was a candidate for commissioner and with him was Frank McMahon. Richard was behind Morris Lyon and John Cohn. Richard and his friends claimed a majority of the delegates in the ward convention, but the sub-committee recommended that Dalley and McMahon be seated, and the report was adopted by the committee.

In the Twenty-second Ward Herman Bauer was seated in preference to M. E. Hughes. P. J. Sullivan's seat was contested by James Lyons, former commissioner. The committee deferred action on the contest until a later date. It is probable that Lyons will be seated in his old place.

George W. Lynch and William Cronin were seated as commissioner from the Thirtieth Ward in preference to Joseph Talion and Thomas Chry. In the Thirty-third Ward the committee seated Peter C. Foote and J. J. Leonard.

A meeting of municipal, state and federal authorities who are studying the pollution of Lake Michigan as the water supply of various parts in four states, will be held September 10th at Milwaukee. The organization was effected last May, with Health Commissioner Evans as chairman, Major Ludlow of the United States Army, State Chemist Bowles, of Wisconsin; Dr. Adolph Gehrmann, of the Chicago Health Department, and Arthur Lederer, of the Sanitary District, will speak. A general discussion of water analysis will follow, in which representatives of the laboratories of the Universities of Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan will take part. It is the aim of the officials to learn to what extent the lake is polluted by sewage and what means should be taken to prevent it.

The Independence League will poll a large Democratic vote for its judicial ticket.

Lincoln Park Commissioners are taking a friendly interest in the establishment of permanent shore lines by property owners north of the park. Francis T. Simmons, president of the board, said that property owners who agree to quitclaim any riparian rights beyond 100 feet from the water line may use the lake sand for filling in purposes.

At Bryn Mawr avenue and the lake some valuable construction work was washed away. To complete the building of the retaining wall before the autumn storms, the contractors at Bryn Mawr avenue obtained the use of the new \$153,000 pump dredge from the commissioners and used it until Monday morning. The commissioners received pay for the use of the dredge and will use the money to help in feeding animals in the park.

"We do not use the dredge ourselves on Sundays or holidays," said President Simmons, "and renting it under the present conditions serves the double purpose of doing a public service and securing added revenue for the park."

James J. Gray polled fifty thousand votes at the head of the Independence League in Chicago two years ago. The league expects to double this figure this fall on the vote for municipal judges.

The Independence party of Cook County at its convention in the North Side Turner Hall Saturday night nominated the following county ticket:

State's Attorney—Charles H. Mitchell. Recorder—C. Sherman Brennan. Clerk of the Circuit Court—Frank Landgraf.

Coroner—Dr. Charles B. Gibson. Board of Assessors—E. Clinton Adams and Jacob M. Becker. Clerk of Superior Court—S. E. Boynton.

Clerk Appellate Court—T. J. Schulte. Board of Review—Henry G. Hagen. Surveyor—S. J. Bennett. President County Board—Edward W. Hooker.

County Commissioners—Edward Flynn, Frank N. Welsh, Isadore La Belle, Louis G. Waldschmidt, William Johnson, W. W. Tobin, J. C. Kotal, J. J. Winkelman and Daniel F. Crowley. Sanitary District Trustees—William Schultz, Edward F. Russell and Edward Conley.

The leaders of the party plan to launch a campaign on behalf of the ticket at once. Especial effort will be put forth to elect the nominee for state's attorney.

Prohibition cranks are in a minority in this big town.

Chicago wants no blue laws.

Chicago voters are opposed to summary legislation.



JOHN T. CONNERY, Public-Spirited Chicago Merchant.

PEABODY IS TO LEAD.

The Big Chicago Merchant Is Placed at the Head of Democratic State Campaign.

State Central Committee Meets and Maps Out a Plan of Warfare.

The Finance Committee Is Especially Strong in Business Men and People with Money.

The Enthusiasm for the State Ticket Was Greater than the Enthusiasm for Bryan,

Indicating that the Full Strength of the Party Is to Be Given Stevenson.

The Democratic State Central Committee held an important meeting at the Sherman House on Monday.

The main object of the gathering was to shape up matters for the state convention, which meets at Peoria next Wednesday.

Francis S. Peabody, of Chicago, was designated as the head of the finance committee, to whose charge is committed the task of obtaining enough funds to make the most stupendous state campaign in the party's history, as the party chiefs declare.

The finance committee as named consists of F. S. Peabody, Eugene Keeley, A. J. Graham, Joseph Theurer, Paul J. Morand, Edward Tilden, John Schoen, John A. King, John W. Eckhart, Edgar Bronson Tolman, of Chicago; John D. Donovan, Woodstock; Frank Trumbo, Dayton; William B. Brinton, Dixon; Elmore W. Hurst, Rock Island; Jackson R. Pearce, Quincy; Harry M. Pindell, Peoria; Silas A. Rathbun, Pontiac; H. S. Tanner, Paris; Levi Murphy, Clinton; Charles A. Gridley, Virginia; Ben F. Caldwell, Springfield; Silas Cook, East St. Louis; A. L. Maxwell, Lawrenceville; M. B. Wells, Salem; Charles Carrillon, Shawneetown, and William H. Warder, Marion.

The advisory committee, which will have to deal directly with the election of the state ticket, is headed by Samuel Abschuler of Aurora, the party's nominee for governor in 1900. The advisory board consists of Frank S. Peabody, Peter Reinberg, John J. Bradley, J. W. Hall, John T. Connery, James G. Frazer, Frank Skalla, Marshall M. Kirkman, Stanley J. Kefauver of Chicago; Samuel Abschuler, Aurora; Maurice T. Moloney, Ottawa; Douglas Pattison, Freeport; Samuel S. Hallam, Monmouth; Charles C. Craig, Galesburg; Frank W. Morrissey, Sheffield; John B. Lennon, Bloomington; Free P. Morris, Watseka; J. B. Harris, Champaign; Henry T. Rainey, Carrollton; B. F. Caldwell, Springfield; Thomas M. Jett, Hillsboro, and Fred J. Kern, Belleville.

Chairman Charles Boeschstein of the state committee announced the following sub-committees for the campaign:

ORGANIZATION—A. W. Charles, Carmel, chairman; Harry Moss, Paris; J. G. Doyle, La Salle; Eugene W. Sullivan, Chicago; J. J. O'Rourke, Harvey.

PUBLICITY—H. N. Wheeler, Quincy, chairman; J. J. Baker, Mount Vernon; Ed D. McCabe, Peoria; J. B. Ryan, Chicago; Charles A. Williams, Chicago.

LABOR—William N. Hargrove, Jacksonville, chairman; John A. Logan, Elgin; Edward J. Rainey, Chicago; M. C. Conlon, Chicago; J. B. Ryan, Chicago.

SPEAKERS AND MEETINGS—Geo. A. Cooke, Alton, chairman; William Hogan, Lanark; Louis Fitzhenry, Bloomington; Thomas F. Scully, Chicago; John McGillion, Chicago.

WAYS AND MEANS—Isaac B. Craig, Mattoon, chairman; William S. Cantrell, Benton; Ernest Hoover, Taylorville; James J. Kelly, Chicago; Mark L. Sullivan, Chicago.

Immediately after the committees had been announced the party managers started on plans for the Peoria convention. The Democrats will meet

at high noon in the Coliseum, and it is the hope of the party management that a crowd which will top the record of past state conventions will be present. The business of the convention will be short and sweet. A platform will be adopted without jarring. It is anticipated, and three trustees for the University of Illinois will be nominated. This is about an hour's task, and then the oratory will be turned on. William J. Bryan, John W. Kern, Adlai E. Stevenson and National Chairman Norman E. Mack will be the chief speakers. The name of Isaac B. Craig of Mattoon is the most frequently heard for chairman of the convention.

Roger C. Sullivan was present at the state committee meeting. He made an address, in which he urged harmony and hard work in the state, and expressed the opinion that Illinois was a certain Democratic state in November.

The Cook County delegation to the Peoria convention will be 500 strong. If the plans which the Chicago leaders made after the state committee had adjourned, are carried out.

Why doesn't Uncle Sam go after the Beef Trust? Why were not all the facts about this awful trust given to the public? The secret of the famous chapter five of the Garfield report on the beef trust is revealed. Chapter five was held in reserve or "suppressed" on orders of the "man higher up," and relates to and discusses these three propositions, and only these three:

First—What was the cause in March, 1904, and about that time for the unusually large margin between the price of cattle and dressed beef for market?

Second—Was that wide margin the result of a combination by the packers in violation of the Sherman law?

Third—Was the injunction against the packers being then violated? All of these questions are answered affirmatively in chapter 5 of the report of Mr. Garfield. The facts on which he arrived at his conclusions were not furnished by the beef packers but on suggestions to witnesses, etc., furnished by Representative Martin of South Dakota.

Chapter 5 was held in reserve because the case against the packers had been decided upon, and if the chapter had been known to Congress the packers would have known the complete result of the Garfield investigation under the resolution of Representative Martin which was passed by the House in January, 1904.

In his resolution Representative Martin asked that Garfield determine if the wide difference between the price of cattle and dressed beef proved a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

According to the resolution Mr. Garfield, if he found such violation, was to report on the capitalization of the packers' combine, their organization, profits, etc.

Mr. Garfield DID REPORT on this latter phase of the resolution, and it is to be found in his report. This fact is stated merely as corroborating the statement that Garfield found that the illegal combination existed.

It is not generally known that Representative Martin, who introduced the beef trust resolution on which Garfield reported, saw Mr. Garfield many times